GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3350
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Barwadih-Chirmiri Rail Line
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware about the time and area of the land acquired for Barwadih-Chirmiri Rail Line and the extent to which the construction work has been completed;

(b) if so, the date of approval and commencement of the scheme, the total amount released so far for this rail line and the amount spent so far for this project since its inception;

(c) whether this project has been suspended and if so, the details of the decision or order under which it has been suspended; and

(d) if not, the time by which it is likely to be completed along with the details of the current status of progress thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN)

(a) to (d): Barwadih-Chirimiri (Ambikapur) (182 km.) new line project was included in Railway Budget 2013-14 at a cost of `1137 crore subject to requisite approval. Niti Aayog had given 'In principle' approval to the project subject to the condition that Railways get land free from concerned State Governments and approach Coal India Limited with a request to develop this project as a joint venture. The project could not be taken forward as neither State Governments of Jharkhand and Chhattisgarh nor Coal India Limited have responded to either share the cost of the project or take the project as a Joint Venture.
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